



Complete Summary

TITLE

Advanced chronic kidney disease (CKD): percent of patients referred to vocational rehabilitation center.

SOURCE(S)

Renal Physicians Association. Appropriate patient preparation for renal replacement therapy. Rockville (MD): Renal Physicians Association; 2002 Oct 1. 78 p. (Clinical Practice Guideline; no. 3).

Brief Abstract

DESCRIPTION

This measure assesses the percent of patients referred to a vocational rehabilitation center among patients with advanced chronic kidney disease (CKD) willing to consider employment.

RATIONALE

Studies show that some hemodialysis patients can and do continue to work. Surveys of patients with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) suggest that workers have better quality of life than non-workers. In general, maintaining employment is associated with better access to care through continued employer-based health insurance.

A recent Evidence Report found no reliable evidence to determine whether the Social Security Administration's current Listing of Impairments for chronic renal failure were correlated with inability to work, nor reliable evidence that other criteria could predict ability to work.

PRIMARY CLINICAL COMPONENT

Advanced chronic kidney disease; employment; vocational counseling

DENOMINATOR DESCRIPTION

The number of adult patients with advanced chronic kidney disease (CKD), not currently receiving renal replacement therapy, willing to consider employment

NUMERATOR DESCRIPTION

The number of patients from the denominator referred to a vocational rehabilitation center

Evidence Supporting the Measure

PRIMARY MEASURE DOMAIN

Process

SECONDARY MEASURE DOMAIN

Not applicable

EVIDENCE SUPPORTING THE MEASURE

A clinical practice guideline or other peer-reviewed synthesis of the clinical evidence

A formal consensus procedure involving experts in relevant clinical, methodological, and organizational sciences

A systematic review of the clinical literature

NATIONAL GUIDELINE CLEARINGHOUSE LINK

- [Appropriate patient preparation for renal replacement therapy.](#)

Evidence Supporting Need for the Measure

NEED FOR THE MEASURE

Unspecified

State of Use of the Measure

STATE OF USE

Pilot testing

CURRENT USE

Internal quality improvement

Application of Measure in its Current Use

CARE SETTING

Ambulatory Care

Physician Group Practices/Clinics

PROFESSIONALS RESPONSIBLE FOR HEALTH CARE

Physicians

LOWEST LEVEL OF HEALTH CARE DELIVERY ADDRESSED

Individual Clinicians

TARGET POPULATION AGE

Age greater than or equal to 18 years

TARGET POPULATION GENDER

Either male or female

STRATIFICATION BY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Unspecified

Characteristics of the Primary Clinical Component

INCIDENCE/PREVALENCE

Unspecified

ASSOCIATION WITH VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

Unspecified

BURDEN OF ILLNESS

Unspecified

UTILIZATION

Unspecified

COSTS

Unspecified

Institute of Medicine National Healthcare Quality Report Categories

IOM CARE NEED

Living with Illness

IOM DOMAIN

Patient-centeredness

Data Collection for the Measure

CASE FINDING

Users of care only

DESCRIPTION OF CASE FINDING

Adult patients 18 years and older with advanced chronic kidney disease (CKD) willing to consider employment

DENOMINATOR (INDEX) EVENT

Clinical Condition
Patient Characteristic

DENOMINATOR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions

Adult patients age 18 years and older with chronic kidney disease stage 4 or 5 (glomerular filtration rate [GFR] less than or equal to 30 mL/min/1.73 m²), not currently receiving renal replacement therapy, willing to consider employment

Exclusions

Unspecified

NUMERATOR INCLUSIONS/EXCLUSIONS

Inclusions

The number of patients from the denominator referred to a vocational rehabilitation center

Exclusions

Unspecified

DENOMINATOR TIME WINDOW

Time window precedes index event

NUMERATOR TIME WINDOW

Episode of care

DATA SOURCE

Administrative data
Laboratory data
Medical record
Patient survey

LEVEL OF DETERMINATION OF QUALITY

Individual Case

PRE-EXISTING INSTRUMENT USED

Unspecified

Computation of the Measure

SCORING

Rate

INTERPRETATION OF SCORE

Better quality is associated with a higher score

ALLOWANCE FOR PATIENT FACTORS

Unspecified

STANDARD OF COMPARISON

Internal time comparison

Evaluation of Measure Properties

EXTENT OF MEASURE TESTING

Unspecified

Identifying Information

ORIGINAL TITLE

Number of patients referred to vocational rehabilitation center / number of patients with advanced CKD, and willing to consider employment.

MEASURE COLLECTION

[Renal Physicians Association Clinical Performance Measures on Appropriate Patient Preparation for Renal Replacement Therapy](#)

MEASURE SET NAME

[Renal Physicians Association Clinical Performance Measures for Counseling and Rehabilitation Recommendations](#)

DEVELOPER

Renal Physicians Association

ADAPTATION

Measure was not adapted from another source.

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MEASURE STATUS

This is the current release of the measure.

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MEASURE AVAILABILITY

The individual measure, "Number of patients referred to vocational rehabilitation center / number of patients with advanced CKD, and willing to consider employment," is published in "Renal Physicians Association Clinical Practice Guideline #3: Appropriate Patient Preparation for Renal Replacement Therapy."

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